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Dear Ms. Hanlon:

As vice president of CP&L's Robinson Nuclear Plant near Hartsville, S.C., and on behalf of the Robinson site, I am writing to strongly encourage the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) to move forward expeditiously in recommending to President George W. Bush that the Yucca Mountain site in Nevada be approved as a permanent national repository for used nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

The decision on developing any location as the permanent repository should be based on sound scientific study. The DOE has collected extensive scientific evidence for nearly two decades that clearly supports the approval of Yucca Mountain as the safest and best location for the country's underground disposal facility for used nuclear fuel and radioactive waste.

Most recently, the DOE's *Preliminary Site Suitability Evaluation* upheld the earlier scientific findings on the Yucca Mountain site's suitability for the underground disposal facility. These findings show that used nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste can be disposed of at Yucca Mountain in a manner that is scientifically sound, environmentally safe and presents no measurable impact on public health and safety.

Based on my more than 40 years of experience in the nuclear energy industry and my review of the extensive analyses of the Yucca Mountain site, I believe there are no technical or scientific issues that should prevent Yucca Mountain from serving as our nation's permanent repository for nuclear waste. Therefore, I strongly encourage the DOE to make the right decision for America -- and recommend to the President that the Yucca Mountain site be approved as a permanent repository for used nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste.

Sincerely,

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